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In re Application of	:	
Melvin R. Kennedy et al	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 10/781,380	:	TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
Filed: February 18, 2004	:	37 CFR 1.102(c)(1)
Attorney Docket No. 6865-20-2	:	

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed January 11, 2006, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.


A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required

The renewed petition includes a copy of a birth certificate. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Wan Laymon at 571-272-3220.

All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 3732 for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.


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